

- an output unit operable to output the HDTV signal and to stop outputting the HDTV signal when the quality of the data stream is lower than a predetermined acceptable quality for a predetermined period of time.

32. A signal receiving apparatus according to claim 31, further comprising a display operable to display the HDTV signal.

33. A signal receiving apparatus comprising:

- a receiver operable to receive a digital modulated signal;
- a demodulator operable to demodulate the digital modulated signal to a data stream;
- a decoder operable to decode the data stream to an HDTV signal;
- a controller operable to detect an error rate of the data stream; and
- an output unit operable to output the HDTV signal and to stop outputting the HDTV

signal when the error rate of the data stream is higher than a predetermined error rate for a predetermined period of time.

34. A signal receiving apparatus according to claim 33, further comprising a display operable to display the HDTV signal.

35. A signal receiving method comprising:

- receiving a digital modulated signal;
- demodulating the digital modulated signal to a data stream;
- decoding the data stream to an HDTV signal;
- examining the quality of the data stream; and
- outputting the HDTV signal and stopping outputting of the HDTV signal when the

quality of the data stream is lower than a predetermined acceptable quality for a predetermined period of time.

36. A signal receiving method according to claim 35, further comprising displaying the HDTV signal.

37. A signal receiving method comprising:

- receiving a digital modulated signal;

- demodulating the digital modulated signal to a data stream;

- decoding the data stream to an HDTV signal;

- detecting an error rate of the data stream; and

- outputting the HDTV signal and stopping outputting of the HDTV signal when the error rate of the data stream is higher than a predetermined error rate for a predetermined period of time.

38. A signal receiving method according to claim 37, further comprising displaying the HDTV signal.